

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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SPECIFIC SCHEMES FOR DISPERSED TRIBES  
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**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any specific schemes have been worked out for 'Dispersed Tribes' by the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; .
- (c) whether it is a fact that 'Dispersed Tribes' are not getting their dues;
- (d) if so, whether any on the spot study is likely to be made by the Union Government to determine their economic status and involvement in the development process; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) to (c) Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides grants to certain State Governments/UT Administrations under the scheme of Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan (SCA to TSP), for the welfare and development of Scheduled Tribes, including dispersed tribes. The State/UT Governments spend grants received under SCA to TSP basically for the family-oriented income generating schemes for tribals, including dispersed tribes, in sectors like agriculture, horticulture, minor irrigation, soil conservation, animal husbandry, forest, education, cooperatives, fisheries, villages and small industries and minimum needs programme etc. Budget allocation for SCA to TSP for 2001-2002 is Rs. 500.00 crore.

Grants under 1 st proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution is given to meet the cost of such projects for Tribal Developments, as may be undertaken by the State Governments, with the approval of Govt. of India, for the purpose of promoting the welfare of the Scheduled Tribes in the State or raising the level of administration of the Scheduled Areas therein to that of the administration of the rest of the areas of that State. On the basis of felt needs of the tribals, including the dispersed tribes, projects/schemes are taken up by the State Govt. Budget allocation for 2001-2002 under 1st proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution is Rs. 300.00 crore.

Besides, funds are also provided for other specific schemes for socio-economic development of tribals including dispersed tribes under Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

(d) & ( e) Anthropological survey of India has been requested to undertake a study on the 'Dispersed Tribes' in Andhra Pradesh. Tribal Research Institutes of the State Governments also undertake studies on different tribal groups, including 'Dispersed Tribes'